Concept of operational planning

749. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the concept of operational planning in selective areas in the Eighth Plan, if so, what are the priority areas on which due emphasis will be laid;

(b) whether in view of this, the Planning Commission are considering to permit import of high technology for modernising farming sector, if so, how the resources would be generated for such import; and

(c) whether Planning Commission has emphasis higher resources mobilisation through fiscal measures, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) to (c). The guideline and priorities for Eighth Five Year Plan will be set out in the Approach Paper. The formulation of the Eighth Five Year Plan will be undertaken after the Approach Paper is finalised and approved by the National Development Council.

Revision of pay scale of assistants

750. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the J.C.M. has recently recommended the revision of Assistants Pay Scale from 1400-40-1600-50-2300-EB-60—2600 to 1640—60—EB—75—2900 wth effect from the 1st January, 1986; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when the orders to implement the recommendation are likely to be issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Crash of IAF Plane near Bikaner

751. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an IAF plane crashed near Bikaner on 27th December, 1988; and

(b) whether there was any casualty and whether a Court of Inquiry has been ordered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The pilot was killed and the plane destroyed. A Court of Inquiry has been held. The findings of the Court of Inquiry are classified and cannot be disclosed in the public interest.

Dharna staged by junior doctors at RML Hospital, New Delhi

752. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that junior doctors of various hospitals in the Capital staged a two-hour dharna at the RML Hospital on 15th February, 1989 urging Government to implement the 1986 agreement; and

(b) if so, what are the demands of the doctors and whether negotiations are going on between them and the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The following are the demands of Junior Doctors of Central Government hospitals in Delhi:—

(1) Non-Practising Allowance to Junior Doctors @ Rs. 600/- p.m.

(2) Dearness Allowance to be given on Non-Practising Allowance.

(3) Arrears on the above with effect from 1-1-1986.

(4) Sanction of contingency allowance of Rs. 100/- p.m. for Junior Residents and Rs 250/- p.m. for Senior Residents.

(5) Payment of arrears of contingency allowance from 1-1-1987.

(6) Inservice treatment for Residency period for those who later take up Government jobs.

The representatives of junior doctors have met officers in the Ministry of Health and F. W and explained their demands.

The position is indicated below:—

(1) Consolidated pay of Jr. doctors includes NPA.

(2) D. A. is given at 90 per cent of pay (which include N.P.A.).

(3) Does not arise.

(4) and (5) Under consideration.

(6) Orders already exist that the period of Sr. Residency is counted as eligible for pension/gratuity in case a Sr. Resident is appointed as a regular government servant.

WHO Report on Sexuality Transmitted Disease

753. SHRI D. B. CHANDREGOWDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Health Organisation has estimated that there are 200 million people with sexually transmitted disease in the World and 50 million cases are in India alone;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any steps to control the STD in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has no such information from WHO. However, according to the information reported by the STD clinics, the total number of STD cases during the year 1987 are 13,14,723.

(b) and (c) The Government of India had launched the National STD Control Programme way back in the second five year plan as a centrally aided scheme. In the subsequent plan periods this programme was taken up as a Centrally Sponsored scheme with 50:50 sharing basis. The programme was, however, inducted as a purely central sector scheme with 100 per cent central assistance during the Sixth Five Year Plan envisaging teaching, training, research, epidemiology and health & community education in the field of STD For the purpose, the Government of India had established Regional STD centres comprising of (1) Regional STD Teaching-cum-Training Centre (ii) Regional STD Reference Laboratory and (iii) Regional Survey-cum-Mobile STD units at Calcutta, Delhi, Hyderabad, Madras and Nagpur to cater on a zonal basis.

The Regional STD Teaching-cum-Training centre is engaged in conducting orientation courses round the year for the inservice medical and para medical personnel in the various aspects of the disease with a view to improving the working knowledge of the health personnel in the clinical and laboratory management of the disease.

The Regional STD Reference Laboratory is actively involved in conducting (i) short orientation courses for the laboratory